

## **ORDINANCE NO. 2013-05**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SEDONA, ARIZONA, AMENDING THE CITY CODE TITLE 5 (BUSINESS LICENSES AND REGULATIONS) BY ADDING SECTION 5.40 (CIVIL UNIONS); PROVIDING FOR A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ANY ORDINANCE OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES OR CODE PROVISIONS IN CONFLICT HERewith.**

**WHEREAS**, the Mayor and Council of the City of Sedona support the right of every person to enter into a lasting and meaningful relationship with the partner of his or her choice, , regardless of the gender or sexual orientation of the parties thereto; and

**WHEREAS**, the Arizona Attorney General has recognized the ability of Arizona cities and towns to enact ordinances that are designed to facilitate the memorialization of such agreements; and;

**WHEREAS**, to the full extent of its authority to do so, and to no further extent, the City of Sedona exercises its authority to express its support for the right of all individuals to manage their personal affairs through the formation of contractual agreements and the designation of agents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEDONA, ARIZONA AS FOLLOWS:

### Section 1. Amendment of Title 5 of the City Code by adding Section 5.40

Those proposed amendments as set forth in that document entitled: "2013 Amendments to the Sedona City Code Regarding Civil Unions" incorporated as Exhibit A and established as a public record by Resolution No. 2013-21 are incorporated herein by reference and are hereby adopted as amendments to the Sedona City Code as though set forth fully herein.

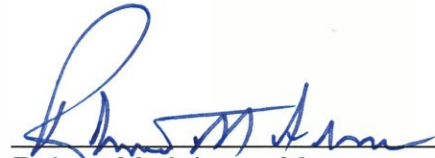
### Section 2. Savings Clause

If any section or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions.

### Section 3. Repeal

All other code provisions, ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict as of the effective date hereof.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Sedona, Arizona, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2013.

  
Robert M. Adams, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Susan L. Irvine, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
Mike Goimarac, City Attorney